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SUBJECT: MUBARAK VISIT TO LIBREVILLE

REFS: A. CAIRO 9978
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1. AT MID POINT OF TRIP TO FRANCE, GABON, BENIN AND MOROCCOA,
EGYPTAINA VICE PRESIDENT HOSNY MUBRAAK VISIT LIBREVILLE
JUNE 14-16 TO DELIVER MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT BONGO FROM
PRESIDENT SADAT AS WELL AS TO DISCUSS MIDDLE EAST SITUATION
AND UPCOMING LIBREVILLE OAU SUMMIT.

2. DURING PRESS CONFERENCE JUNE 15 MUBARAK COVERED WIDE
VARIETY OF TOPICS INCLUDING HOPED FOR ANNOUNCEMENT THAT
PRESIDENT SADAT DEFINTELY ATTENDING OAU SUMMIT
JULY 2-5 (CONFIRMED REFTELA). ALSO OF INTEREST TO LOCAL AUDIENCE
WERE VICE PRESIDENTS REPLIES TO QUESTIONS CONCERNING EGYPTS
MEDIATION IN DISPUTE BETWEEN BENIN ON ONE HAND AND GABON AND
MOROCCO ON OTHER OVER ALLEGED INVOLVEMENT OF LATTER STATES IN
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JANUARY 16 MERCENARY ATTACK ON COTONU. WITHOUT GOING INTO
DETAILS MUBARAK LET IT BE UNDERSTOOD THAT HIS TRIP TO COTONOU
AND RABAT WAS INSEARCH OF ACCOMMODATION THAT WOULD DEFUSE
PRESIDENT KEREKOUS CAMPAIGN TO BOYCOTT OAU SUMMIT.

3. MUBARAK ALSO DISCUSSED EGYPTIAN/SOVIET RELATIONS,
MIDDLE EAST SITUATIONS SINCE CHANGE OF GOVERNMENT IN

ISRAEL AND EGYPT'S ASSISTANCE TO ZAIRE DURING RECENT
SHABA INVASION. HIS DESCRIPTION OF EGYPT'S POSITION
VIS A VIS ISRAEL AND THE CHANCES FOR RECONVENING GENEVA
CONFERENCE WAS NOTEWORTHY FOR MODERATE TONE IN FRONT OF
AFRICAN AUDIENCE. HE SAID, " WE ARE PEACE LOVERS AND WILL
SPARE NO EFFORT TO CONVOKE A NEW GENEVA CONFERENCE.
HOWEVER, EVEN IF THE CONFERENCE FAILS, THERE ARE OTHER
SOLUTIONS THAN RESORTING TO WAR." MUBARAK ELABORATED ON
HIS STATEMENT BY POINTING OUT THAT UNTIL RECENTLY ONLY
ISRAEL'S VOICE WAS HEARD IN THE WEST BUT NOW ARABS ARE
BEING LISTENED TO IN UNITED STATES AND EUROPE, WHICH
BRINGS NEW ELEMENT INTO MIDDLE EAST FAVORING PEACE. STEIGMAN

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